

Happy holidays one and all. As the year grows to a close it's time to look back and see where we are now as compared to where we were at the start of the year. As an organization we are in fantastic shape financially and can look forward to doing more next year for the Capitol Museum and offer more educational and social opportunities for our membership. We graduated a new class of volunteers in August and many of them have jumped right in and started "hanging out" at the Capitol to help wherever necessary. The older members have provided continuity and helped assure that the association says "on course". I have had a great time performing the duties of President this past year and want to thank the Board of Directors for their support and timely suggestions. Being a member of the Board of Directors is something I encourage all of you do, it's where you can really make a difference in the long term direction of CSCMVA. If you have been a member for at least one year and haven't run for a position on the "board", I encourage you to do so. With a new year, comes a new board and you just have to contact our Vice President, P.J. Jones to "throw your hat in the ring".

As always, I want to encourage you to come to the Capitol. There are never too many of us there at one time. Use the information you have been provided to make our visitors time at the Capitol memorable. You can hang out near the historical rooms, the galleries, or just roam around talking to folks. Practice your tour giving skills by "picking up" small groups who many have missed the regular tour and showing them the building and sharing it's history. If you have questions about volunteering please give me a call or send an email.

I hope to see you all at the Annual Meeting on January 21st. Come, have lunch, watch the awards, and renew friendships. We are a small but mighty association and we need each and every one of you to fulfill our mission.